Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) A method for providing an integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset, the method comprising:

receiving a selected program;

determining whether the selected program is to be recorded;

in response to determining that the selected program is to be recorded:

recording the [[a]] selected program for inclusion in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset, the program selected by a user;

selecting a promotion to record for
inclusion in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback
asset; and

recording the [[a]] selected promotion for inclusion in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset, wherein the selected promotion and the selected program originate from independent broadcast equipment; and

asset in response to receiving a user indication to play back

the recorded program enabling the user to playback the

integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset.

- 2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the promotion is selected based upon the content of the program.
 - 3-5. (canceled)
- 6. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising recording both the program and the promotion on a storage unit.
- 7. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein the promotion is recorded at the beginning of the program.
- 8. (original) The method of claim 7, further comprising recording a flag with the promotion to indicate the beginning of the program during playback.
- 9. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein the promotion is recorded at the end of the program.

- 10. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein promotions are recorded at the beginning and the end of the program.
- 11. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein the promotion is recorded at any desired point within the program.
- 12. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising receiving the program and the promotion.
- 13. (original) The method of claim 12 further comprising receiving program guide data.
- 14. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein the program, the promotion, and the program guide data are received on a single broadcast channel.
- 15. (original) The method of claim 13 wherein the program, the promotion, and the program guide data are received on a plurality of broadcast channels.
- 16. (original) The method of claim 13 further comprising storing the program, the promotion, and the program quide data.

- 17. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the program, the promotion, and the program guide data are stored on a storage unit.
- 18. (original) The method of claim 16, wherein the program, the promotion, and the program guide data are stored on a plurality of storage units.

19-34. (canceled)

35. (currently amended) A system for providing an integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset, the system comprising:

a user input device configured to receive a user input to select a television program to be recorded; and user equipment operative to:

receive a selected program;

determine whether the selected program is to be recorded;

<u>in response to determining whether the selected</u>
program is to be recorded:

record the selected program for inclusion in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset. the program selected by a user; in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset;
and

record the [[a]] selected promotion for inclusion in the integrated recorded program/promotion playback asset, wherein the selected promotion and the selected program originate from independent broadcast equipment; and

play back the recorded program/program playback asset
in response to receiving a user indication to play back the
recorded program enable the user to playback the integrated
recorded program/promotion playback asset.

36. (previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the user equipment is operative to select the promotion based upon the content of the program.

37-39. (canceled)

- 40. (previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the user equipment is operative to cause the promotion to be recorded at the beginning of the program.
- 41. (previously presented) The system of claim 40, wherein the user equipment is operative to cause a flag to be

recorded with the promotion to indicate the beginning of the program during playback.

- 42. (previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the user equipment is operative to cause the promotion to be recorded at the end of the program.
- 43. (previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the user equipment is operative to cause promotions to be recorded at the beginning and at the end of the program.
- 44. (previously presented) The system of claim 35 wherein the user equipment is operative to cause the promotion to be recorded at any desired point within the program.
- 45. (original) The system of claim 35 further comprising a receiver that receives signals and data.
- 46. (original) The system of claim 45 wherein the receiver receives signals and data on a single broadcast channel.
- 47. (original) The system of claim 45 wherein the receiver receives signals and data on a plurality of broadcast channels.

48. (original) The system of claim 35 further comprising a storage unit that stores the program and the promotion.

49-59. (canceled)

- 60. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein he program, the promotion, and the program guide data are received on-demand from a television distribution facility.
- 61. (new) The method of claim 45, wherein the receiver receives signals and data on-demand from a television distribution facility.